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CAPITAL AREA RECYCLING AND TRASH

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City of Lansing Receives Major Awards for Recycling Excellence

(LANSING) – The City of Lansing recently received two major awards for excellence in the field of recycling and waste reduction.

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Governor's Recycling Council recognized the City of Lansing for excellence in recycling at the Governor's Recycling Summit in Kalamazoo. The City of Lansing's Capital Area Recycling and Trash (CART) division was awarded the Outreach and Education Award for the variety of excellent mechanisms used to promote recycling and waste reduction to the city's residential, institutional and commercial communities. Governor Rick Snyder included outreach and education as one of the key components in his April 2014 statewide plan to increase the state's recycling rate to 30 percent.

Additionally, the Michigan Recycling Coalition recently honored the City of Lansing with its 2015 Award of Recycling Excellence for the city's comprehensive recycling program, strong participation and increased recycling rate.

"Thanks to the extraordinary work of our CART team, Lansing is a statewide leader in recycling and waste reduction. That's something we can all celebrate as we work together to make Lansing an even cleaner, greener community," said Mayor Virg Bernero. "The strength of our award-winning outreach and education efforts is a major reason why we have a 77% participation rate in residential recycling in Lansing."

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